



December 4, 2008

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean,
C.C., C.M.M., C.O.M., C.D.
Governor General
Rideau Hall
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Excellency,

I address the following petition to you signed by 161 Members of Parliament from the Official Opposition, the New Democratic Party and the Bloc Québécois. These 161 signatories constitute the majority of Members of Parliament in the House of Commons.

Your petitioners respectfully inform you that they would vote in favour of the non-confidence motion introduced by the Official Opposition if this motion were to be called to a vote as scheduled on Monday December 8th, 2008.

This motion clearly expresses the opinion that the majority of Members of Parliament in the House of Commons believe that a viable alternative government can be formed within the present House of Commons.

Your petitioners ask that you inform the Prime Minister that he cannot call for prorogation of Parliament until he has demonstrated to you that he still commands the confidence of the House of Commons.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Stéphane Dion'.

Stéphane Dion, PC, MP
Leader of the Official Opposition
Leader of the Liberal Party of Canada